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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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In re Application of:

SERIZAWA et al.

Serial No. 09/856,849

Group Art Unit 3641

Filed: May 25, 2001

Examiner: E. Miller

Title: **GAS GENERATING COMPOSITION AND METHOD**

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

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Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action having a mailing date of February 13, 2003. The thirty day shortened statutory period to respond was set to expire March 15, 2002, making this a timely filed response to the outstanding Office Action.

In view of the following election and remarks, the Applicants respectfully request the Examiner to conduct a first substantive examination of the application.

REMARKS

Claims 1, 2 and 12-20 are pending in the application and are presented for a first substantive examination on the merits.

In the outstanding Office Action claims 1, 2 and 12-20 were subjected to a restriction requirement.

By this Response to Restriction Requirement an election, without traverse, is made.